

**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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provides for continued examination of an utility or  
plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

Application Number	09/318,268
Confirmation Number	1128
Filing Date	May 25, 1999
First Named Inventor	Hitoshi MATSUMOTO
Group Art Unit	2853
Examiner Name	Blaise L. MOUTRIE
Matter Number	Q54505
Title	INK CARTRIDGE, INK-JET PRINTING APPARATUS, AND REFILLING DEVICE

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Petition for Extension of Time
- v. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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**2. MISCELLANEOUS**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a  
period of \_\_\_\_\_ months
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**3. FEES**

Please charge the RCE statutory fee of \$770.00 and all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the  
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